NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS, COMMISSIONERS COURT TO GATHER PUBLIC INPUT AND TESTIMONY REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SCOPE OF A NEWLY CREATED OFFICE OF ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR will be held on MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2020** at 4 PM. The meeting will be held virtually, to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The public will only be able to attend the meeting virtually, as a result of Governor Greg Abbott's June 26, 2020, Executive Order GA-28, which directs that all persons not otherwise excepted by the order should not be in groups larger than ten and should maintain six feet of social distancing from those not in their group. The public may access the meeting through the following link: https://agenda.harriscountytx.gov

On March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott granted a request by the Texas Attorney General to waive certain requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act to reduce face-to-face contact relating to government meetings while maintaining government transparency during government meetings in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Governor Abbott suspended various statutory provisions requiring government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. Members of the public are still entitled to participate and address governmental bodies during any telephonic or video conference meeting. In accordance with the Governor's order, the public may make comments by signing up to speak by no later than **Monday, August 3, 2020 at 8 a.m.** at: https://appearancerequest.harriscountytx.gov/

You will be placed in a queue and will receive a phone call when it is your time to speak. All speakers will receive 1 minute and 30 seconds to make their remarks.

Alternatively, the public will have the option of submitting written statements regarding the implementation of the Harris County Office of Elections Administrator by emailing: elections@cjo.hctx.net. Written statements will be accepted until Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Christopher G. Hollins, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court

of Harris County, Texas

James E. Hastings Jr., Director Commissioners Court Records

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